

Child Care and Development Fund
FACT SHEET
December, 2006
Montana

Caseload

- 5,440 children were served this month in this program
- 3,155 families received subsidies for childcare through this program
- 6.1% of the families entered the program during this period
- Yellowstone County accounted for 24.4% of all families served

Children

- 86.5% of children were served in licensed care
- 10.5% of children were cared for by relatives
- Children under 1 year of age were in child care an average of 122 hours per month
- School-age children (ages 6 and older) constitute 27.5% of all children served
- White children accounted for 80.8% of all children served

Families

- 88.7% of families received subsidies because of employment
- 100.0% of families had copayments, at an average of 3.8% of income
- The average number of children served per family was 1.7
- 87.6% of families were headed by a single parent
- 12.0% of families listed TANF as a source of income

Expenditures

- The average cost of care this month per child was \$320 (monthly subsidy + parent fee)
- Parents paid 11.0% of the cost and the program paid 89.0%
- Average monthly expenditures for children under 1 year of age was \$368
- Average monthly expenditures for school-age children (ages 6 and older) was \$235
- 79.8% of total expenditures were for children under 6 years of age

Counties

- The highest average cost of care was in Prairie County at \$539 per child
- The county with the greatest percent of TANF recipients in the caseload was Madison County, where 50.0% of families receiving child care subsidies also received income from TANF